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Come, stroll through London any
summer day,
In thronged and sunny places.
You'll meet the British Army on your
way,
You'll meet the British Navy in the
Mall,
And Overseas Contingents one and
all;
You'll meet an army from the
U.S.A.—
All, all the fighting faces;
And fair beside the tan of darker hue
The girls in khaki and the girls in
blue.

I.

A Scot-Canadian—the very chap
To have beside you in a nasty 'scrap.'

II.

The Major. . . In his time has served
the flag
At Poona, Gib., the Curragh,—and
"the Rag."

III.

The Captain, with a harmless list to
port ;
A dauntless fighter and a "real good
sport."

IV.

Turbaned and turbulent, careless of life :
His wits and his courage as keen as his knife.

V.

A helper whose initials three
Are now world-famous. . .V.A.D.

VI.

Sammy, who has a hunch he'll find a cure
For Teuton wiliness. He's "some boy," sure.

USR

VII.

Thick-necked, tenacious, always at his ease ;
The British bulldog-guardian of the seas.

VIII.

He's fine in his kilties and firm as a rock :
Bra' lad for a fight, imperturbable Jock.

IX.

She takes the field as England's war-
time farmer,
The sun-kissed Land Girl: motto
"Fair and warmer."

x.

Alert, resourceful, keen to dare and
do,
The New World 's navy comes to see
us through.

XI.

Rough-rider from the bush, of Anzac
fame,
To whom a battle is a sporting game.

XII.

She comes as a boon and a blessing
to men
When you have to be patient in No.
X. Gen.

XIII.

The Padre, genial and human soul,
Who's seen enough of life to see it whole.

XIV.

Swears by his service—yes, and at it too :
Likes old traditions, but munitions new.

XV.

An unassuming fighter. Does his bit
Full well and doesn't make a shout of it.

XVI.

She knows her job and goes the pace
with glee
Who drives a lorry for the A.S.C.

XVII.

The Sikh, mysterious, proud, and
undismayed
Who never foe forgot or friend
betrayed.

XVIII.

The Darling of the Gods ; the R.A.'s
eyes
And super-daring master of the skies.

XIX.

Another fair ally of lucky Mars:
The girl who makes the shells that
shake the stars.

xx.

The spirit of the Highlands still aglow
That fought for Bonny Charlie long ago.

XXI.

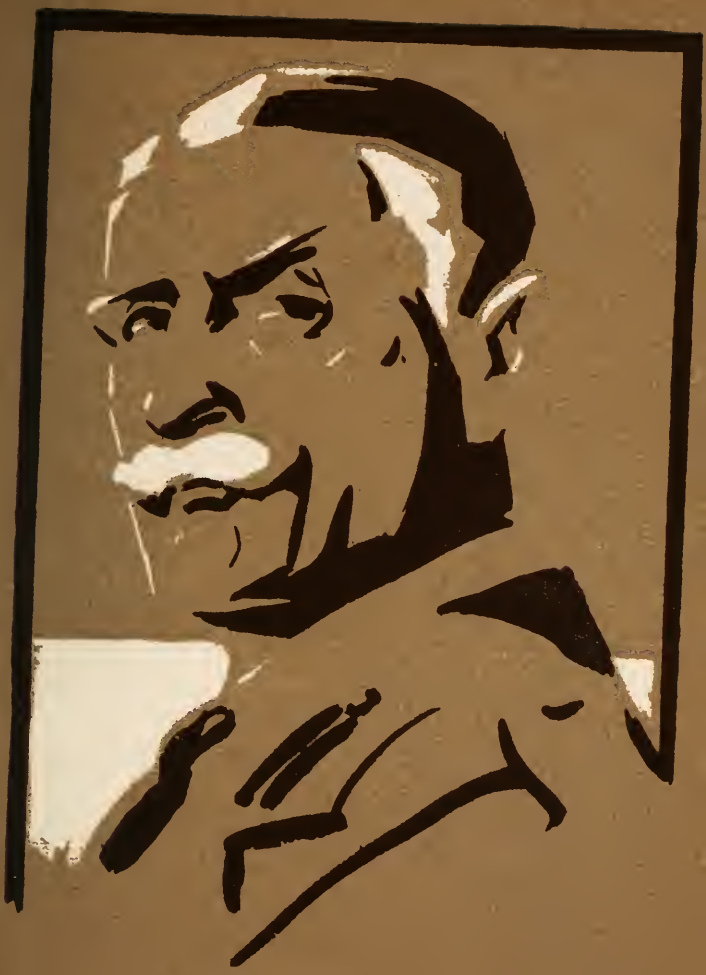
Equally up-to-date on Navigation, Gunnery..and the latest "Hesitation."

XXII.

Queen Mary's Own—a corps already
"crack"—
But still affectionately called the
WAAC.

XXIII.

Generally—as a Colonel—on the strafe :
Eternally—as General—on the staff.



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The modern Aesculapius -at-arms
Brings stubborn cheerfulness to war's
alarms.

XXV.

The "Snotty"—very serious afloat.
Call his ship anything you like but
"boat"!

XXVI.

Ack–Emma—knows an engine's
little way,
And dreams of putting up his wings
some day.

ROYAL FLYIN
CORE

XXVII.

Destroyer of the Turk, and not the least
Enamoured of the Beauty of the East.

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She drives the cars of Senior Service
men—
That neat and handy sailor-girl, the
WREN.

XXIX.

Hails from a young strong country, born to lead,
The young Apollo of Australian breed.

xxx.

Jack at his jolliest—study in white—
And hoping some day for a straight
sort o' fight.

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XXXI.

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